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WEEK OF THE EAGLES 2005

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky., May 11, 2005 – The 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell will celebrate the “Week of the Eagles” from May 22-26.

The week-long celebration honors the proud history of the division and the post. It is a tribute to our soldiers (current and former), their families and Fort Campbell’s civilian neighbors. The event is especially noteworthy this year as the division recently completed transformation, becoming the first full division to do so.

Throughout the week, events are planned to celebrate our accomplishments, allow units to compete for the coveted “Commander’s Cup” honors and bring the community together with the members of Fort Campbell. The week will culminate with a division review.

The following “Week of the Eagles” information is provided:

1. **LEGACY GOLF SCRAMBLE**: The Legacy Golf Scramble is open to veterans, active-duty soldiers, and the general public. Teams may register on a first come, first served basis. Entry forms may be downloaded from the internet at www.fortcampbellmwr.com.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Michelle Medwick PHONE: (270)956-3028

DATES: May 22 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Cole Park Commons

2. **BOXING SMOKER**: Boxers will be divided into three categories: novice, open and female. There will be nine weight classes. Bouts are open to active-duty Fort Campbell male and female soldiers only. Fights will be held all week and will culminate with the finals May 26 at 3 p.m.

POINT OF CONTACT: First Lt. Marcus Harrison PHONE: (270) 798-2476

DATES: May 22-26 TIME: 10 a.m. until complete LOCATION: Airfield Passenger Terminal, Bldg. 7162

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3. DIVISION RUN: The run begins at the division and post headquarters and travels through four miles of Fort Campbell. Units join the formation as they are passed. Everyone is encouraged to come out and root for their favorite unit.

POINT OF CONTACT: Master Sgt. Gilbert Ortiz PHONE: (270) 798-2682

DATES: May 23 TIME: 7 a.m. LOCATION: Division Headquarters

4. WELCOME CENTER: The Welcome Center provides retirees, veterans, family members and guests with specific Week of the Eagles event information. Fort Campbell Soldiers will be available at the center to assist our guests while visiting Fort Campbell.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Arnel David PHONE: (270)956-4974

DATES: May 23-26 TIME: 8 a.m. -5:30 p.m. LOCATION: Gates 4 and 7

5. SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT: This single-elimination tournament is open to active-duty soldiers and Fort Campbell teams only. The championship game will be played on May 25.

POINT OF CONTACT: 1st Lt. Michael Johnson PHONE: (270) 798-2476

DATES: May 23-25 TIME: 9 a.m. until complete LOCATION: North baseball fields

6. BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: The tournament is open to active-duty soldiers only with semi-finals being held May 24 and finals being held May 25.

POINT OF CONTACT: 1st Lt. Michael Johnson PHONE: (270) 798-2476

DATES: May 23-25 TIME: 9 a.m. until complete LOCATION: Freedom Fighter Gym

7. COMBATIVES TOURNAMENT: Combatives is the Army's newest hand-to-hand fighting style, and is being taught to soldiers all across the Army. This tournament will determine who the fiercest and most skilled competitor is amongst warriors in five weight classes, male and female.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 23-24 TIME: 9:30 a.m. until complete LOCATION: Lozada Gym

8. PUGIL STICK COMPETITION: Cheer on your favorite soldiers as they battle each other in a pugil stick competition. This grueling event pits one hardened soldier against another in a battle to determine the best unit in the 101st.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Jonathan Thoennes PHONE: (270) 798-2751

DATES: May 23-24 TIME: 10 a.m. – until complete LOCATION: Range 33

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11. PUSHBALL COMPETITION: This event puts one 25-player team against another in a challenging game of pushball. You will want to see this event just to witness grown men and women push a huge inflatable ball from one end on the field to the other. The competition will be furious in this game of skill, determination, and unit pride.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 23-25 TIME: 11 a.m. – until complete LOCATION: Mahaffee Middle School

10. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER RIBBON CUTTING: As Soldiers deploy in service to our country, the families back home do fantastic work keeping the home fires burning. To help Fort Campbell families cope with inevitable separations, we are having a ribbon cutting for the newly refurbished Family Resource Center. Come see the building and tour the inside to get a feel for the tremendous support structure afforded those who face the sacrifices of military service.

POINT OF CONTACT: Kim Hooks PHONE: (270) 798-3843

DATE: May 23 TIME: 11:45 a.m. LOCATION: 1501 William C. Lee Rd.

11. PISTOL COMPETITION: Soldiers will test their skills against each other on standard and non-standard ranges for the M9 pistol.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 23 TIME: 1 p.m. LOCATION: Range 7

12. TOUGHEST AIR ASSAULT SOLDIER COMPETITION: This competition features eight events including an Army Physical Fitness Test, the Air Assault obstacle course, and a six-mile road march, to name a few. This event will determine who is the toughest Air Assault Soldier in the world's only air assault division.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Jonathan Thoennes PHONE: (270) 798-2751

DATES: May 23-24 TIME: 1:30 pomp until complete LOCATION: Sabalauski Air Assault School

13. RUCKSACK RELAY: Twelve soldiers carrying a fifty-pound rucksack over 12 miles – really fast! Who will win? Come and find out as you witness this event earning units points towards the Commander's Cup.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 24 TIME: 6:15 a.m. LOCATION: Clarksville Base

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14. 10K ROAD RACE: This 6.2 mile race is open to anyone who's willing to put their feet to the pavement. All participants who register before May 10th will receive a t-shirt and a certificate of completion. Participants can sign-up the day of the race, but t-shirt availability is not guaranteed. Application forms can be downloaded from the internet at www.fortcampbellmwr.com. The fee for the race will be \$8 with t-shirt, \$4 without.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Clement Bermudes PHONE: (270) 956-3780

DATES: May 24 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Division Parade Field

15. GRENADE LAUNCHER EVENT: The best grenadier in the division will be determined at a non-standard range set up on the training reservation. Due to the remote location of this event, guests will not be able to observe this event.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 24 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Cassidy MOUT site

16. WEAPONS COMPETITONS: Soldiers will compete against each other on the M4 Carbine rifle and the M240B machine gun. These standard and non-standard ranges will help Soldiers earn their units points towards the Commander's Cup trophy.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Jonathan Thoennes PHONE: (270) 798-2751

DATES: May 24 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Ranges 7, 9, 10, 11

17. BAYONET ASSAULT COURSE: Come see soldiers demonstrate proficiency on the bayonet assault course as they compete against their comrades for Commander's Cup honors.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Jonathan Thoennes PHONE: (270) 798-2751

DATES: May 24 TIME: 9 a.m. LOCATION: Range 33

18. POWER LIFTING: Men and women in three weight classes will compete to see who can lift the most weight in three events: the dead lift, the squat and bench press. Winners of this event will rack up points to help propel their unit towards Commander's Cup honors.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Andrew Kiger PHONE: (270) 798-4815

DATES: May 24 TIME: 9 a.m. LOCATION: Olive Gym

19. TRUCK RODEO: Come see a fantastic display of the Army's wheeled muscle machines as soldiers battle it out on an obstacle course with tactical vehicles.

POINT OF CONTACT: 1st Lt. Michael Johnson PHONE: (270) 798-2476

DATES: May 24-25 TIME: 9:30 a.m. LOCATION: XXXXX

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20. MARKSMANSHIP FACILITY DEDICATION: On Tuesday we will also be dedicating our newest training facility, the Sgt. First Class Webster Anderson Marksmanship facility. We welcome media and neighbors alike to come see this state-of –the-art facility that will help train the Army’s greatest Soldiers, here at Fort Campbell.

POINT OF CONTACT: Master Sgt. Darryl Chapman PHONE: (270) 798-2680

DATE: May 24 TIME: 2 p.m.

21. CDR v. CSM SOFTBALL GAME: Everyone is invited to come out and cheer for their favorite NCOs and commanders while they battle it out to see who has the better swing.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Alfonso Plummer PHONE: (270)798-7753

DATES: May 24 TIME: 4:30 p.m. LOCATION: North softball fields

22. UNIT OPEN HOUSE: Units across post will host open houses allowing veterans and civilians alike to see the latest in equipment, talk to currently-serving soldiers or reconnect with other veterans. Soldiers manning the welcome centers at gates 4 and 7 will assist visitors in finding the unit open house they would like to visit.

DATES: May 25 TIME: 12 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

23. DIVARTY INACTIVATION: In a ceremony here Division Artillery, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) will be deactivated as part of transformation.

POINT OF CONTACT: Cpt. Greg Worley PHONE: (270) 798-2403

DATES: May 25 TIME: 3 p.m. LOCATION: Division Parade Field

24. DIVISION REVIEW: The division review celebrates the division’s proud heritage with soldiers and veterans. “Screaming Eagle” veterans are encouraged to participate in the pass and review ceremony. The public is invited to attend.

POINT OF CONTACT: Master Sgt. Gilbert Ortiz PHONE: (270) 798-2682

DATES: May 26 TIME: 9 a.m. LOCATION: Division Parade Field

25. DIVISION MEMORIAL: This special memorial service honors the former soldiers and family members and preserves the legacy of our fallen comrades. The service is held at Building T-39 (Command Group Headquarters). The service is open to the public.

POINT OF CONTACT: Master Sgt. Gilbert Ortiz PHONE: (270) 798-2682

DATES: May 26 TIME: 4 p.m. LOCATION: T-39 Division Headquarters

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26. **RENDEZVOUS BARBEQUE:** This dining event is held to celebrate the rich history of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and everyone involved with the Fort Campbell community. It is open to all military, Fort Campbell civilians, veterans and VIPs. Tickets cost \$10 and are sold on a space available basis.

POINT OF CONTACT: Maj. Tim Sullivan

PHONE: (270) 798-7924

DATES: May 26

TIME: 5 p.m.

LOCATION: Fryar Field

RESTRICTIONS: The following restrictions apply to the Week of the Eagles events:

- A. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CAN BE CARRIED INTO ANY EVENT VENUE.**
- B. **NO PETS ARE ALLOWED AT ANY EVENT SITE.**
- C. **NO WEAPONS ARE ALLOWED.**
- D. **NO GLASS CONTAINERS CAN BE BROUGHT TO ANY EVENT.**
- E. **ALL PERSONS, BAGS, BACKPACKS, STROLLERS, COOLERS, AND VEHICLES ARE SUBJECT TO SEARCH AT ANY TIME WHILE ON THE INSTALLATION.**
- F. **ALL VEHICLES WITHOUT DOD DECALS MUST ENTER THROUGH GATE 4 OR GATE 7 TO OBTAIN A VISITORS PASS.**

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MEDIA NOTE: We would appreciate your assistance in publicizing this information as often as possible as a Public Service Announcement. Media interested in covering any event must contact the Cathy Gramling in the Division Public Affairs Office at (270) 798-9966. We invite all media representatives to attend any and all events. Since events like the 10K run has deadlines, we would appreciate you publicizing this information whenever possible.